Government of Andhra Pradesh on 7.9.2001 to discuss all such reported diversion works.

Bargi Dam of Jabalpur

†3189. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the age of Bargi Dam situated at Jabalpur in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) the reasons for delay in construction of right coast canal;

(c) what assistance can be extended by the Central Government for the construction of right coast canal; and

(d) the present status of this project in the priority list of irrigation projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) and (b) Bargi Project consists of a main dam, Left Bank Canal and two Power Houses. The main dam was completed in the year 1987. Right Bank Canal from Bargi Reservoir which is also known as Bargi Diversion Project has been delayed due to insufficient funding to the project by the State Government.

(c) and (d) The Union Government is providing Central Loan Assistance (CLA) under Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) to such approved irrigation projects which fulfil the norms of this Programme.

Irrigation being a State subject, the concerned State Governments arc primarily responsible for planning, funding and execution etc. of all types of irrigation projects including flood control and drainage from their own resources and as per their own priorities.

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